

# Increased teacher pay primary factor in rise

Cost of Los Angeles city schools is going up far faster than the increase in either school population or numbers of employes of the schools, according to a study completed recently by the staff of the California Taxpayers' association, 610 South Main street.

Following are results of the study, issued May 16 as a special report to Los Angeles taxpayers:

**PER PUPIL**  
Current cost per pupil is averaging \$373.90 for 1956-57,

compared with \$253.60 for 1948-49. In other words, washing out growth by making the comparison on a pupil basis, costs of the Los Angeles city schools for current expenses (excluding construction, etc.) are 47 per cent greater this year than for 1948-49. Consumer's price index is up 14.6 per cent for the same period.

Budget for the city schools for the current school year totals \$252,440,606 . . . 122 per cent greater than the \$113,649,617 total cost for the schools for 1948-49, the first year the present single salary plan was in effect.

**ENROLLMENT**  
If adult education is dropped out, enrollment for the city schools for 1956-57 (second month figures) of 498,295 is

327,134 enrollment for 1948-49. A somewhat smaller increase shows when over-all average daily attendance for the two years is compared . . . 47.6 per cent when the 320,329 ADA for 1948-49 is compared with the 472,777 for 1956-57 (sixth month figures). With adult education dropped out, the average daily attendance for the city schools for 1956-57 of 455,426 is 48 per cent greater than the 307,189 for 1948-49.

Employes of the school district this year reach \$15,981,257 for 1956-57 . . . just 235 per cent greater than the \$69,431,505 total of the two for 1948-49.

**EMPLOYES**  
The 122 per cent increase in the cost of the city schools? Getting into the detail of the spending program which tops a quarter of a billion dollars for 1956-57:

Salaries for employes of the city schools reached \$135,879,364 for 1956-57, 110 per cent greater than the \$74,669,109 paid in salaries for 1948-49.

Retirement costs for the em-

ployes of the school district this year reach \$15,981,257 for 1956-57 . . . just 235 per cent greater than the \$69,431,505 total of the two for 1948-49.

Costs for buildings and equipment (including general fund money, bond money, and payment of interest on outstanding bonds) reached \$60,139,357 for 1956-57, more than double (141 per cent more) than the \$24,916,631 spent during 1948-49.

**PRIMARY FACTOR**  
Probing deeper into the reason for the tremendous increase in school costs . . . an increase more than twice as big as the increase in school population . . . the ever-rising teacher salary scale stands out as the primary factor.

Teacher salaries in Los Angeles consistently average higher than they do in the 13 larger cities of the United States. Teacher salaries consistently average higher in Los Angeles than the average for the state of California.

**MEDIAN**  
For 1956-57, the median (mid-point) salary for an elementary school teacher in Los Angeles was \$5900 (half the elementary teachers got more, and half less). For the state, the median salary for an elementary teacher this year is \$4882.

For a high school teacher in Los Angeles, this year, the median salary is \$6240, compared with \$5586 statewide.

For a junior college teacher in Los Angeles, this year, the median salary is \$6920, compared with \$6489 statewide.

This year, for a teacher with maximum preparation, Los Angeles pays up to \$7800, with 514 teachers getting that sum. The median for the 18 larger cities in the United States is \$6500.

**\$4250 MINIMUM**  
This year, for a teacher with minimum preparation, Los Angeles pays \$4250. Median for the 18 larger cities in the United States is \$3750.

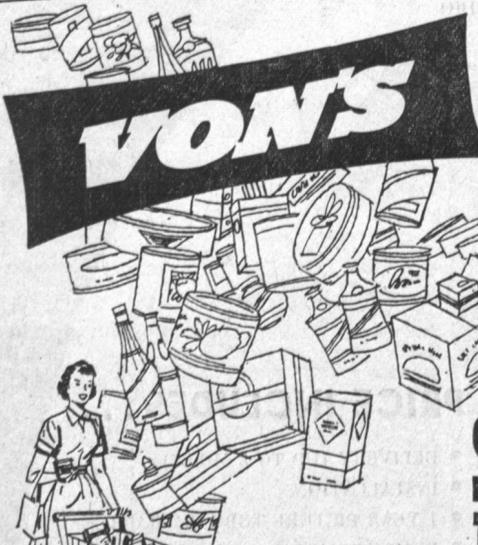
Los Angeles this year is way out in front, and maintaining its lead, in pay for classroom teachers.

Heart of the problem clearly is salaries, which have risen drastically.

For example, in 1948-49, 38 per cent of the Los Angeles teachers were receiving less than \$4000 a year, 48 per cent were in the \$4000 to \$4999 bracket, and 14 per cent got more than \$5000 a year.

**\$5000 TO \$7000**  
For 1956-57, no teacher in Los Angeles receives less than \$4000 a year; 24 per cent are in the \$4000 to \$4999 bracket; 61 per cent are in the \$5000 to \$7000

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